

**REMARKS**

The paragraph entitled "CROSS-PREFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" has been amended in the continuation application transmittal filed herewith.


Solely for the purpose of reducing initial extra claim fees for the application, and without any prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1-18 have been cancelled without prejudice and claim 19 have been added. No new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments.

Early consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 2, 2001

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
John B. Alexander, Ph.D.  
(Reg. No. 48,399)

*Dike, Bronstein, Roberts & Cushman*  
*Intellectual Property Practice Group*  
EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP  
P.O. Box 9169  
Boston, MA 02209  
Tel. (617) 439-4444  
#169979